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1. AT NOVEMBER 26, 1975 MEETING NAC: (A) APPROVED NEW CANADIAN PILOT STUDY PROPOSAL ON RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FOOD AND HEALTH; (B) APPROVED FINAL RESOLUTIONS (INCLUDING FOLLOW-UP RESOLUTION ON OIL SPILLS) AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF BELGIAN-LED COASTAL WATER POLLUTION PILOT STUDY, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED FOR ENDORSEMENT OF MINISTERS IN DECEMBER; AND (C) NOTED FAVORABLY ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT BY SYG LUNS AS CCMS CHAIRMAN AND AGREED TO FORWARD REPORT, AS CUSTOMARY, FOR INFO OF MINISTERS IN DECEMBER.

2. INTRODUCING CANADA'S FOOD AND HEALTH PILOT STUDY PROPOSAL, UNCLASSIFIED

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SYG LUNS NOTED POTENTIAL FAVORABLE IMPACT OF IMPROVED NUTRITIONAL PRACTICES IN ADVANCED COUNTRIES UPON HEALTH OF THEIR CITIZENS, AS WELL AS UPON AVAILABILITY OF WORLD FOOD SUPPLY AS RESULT OF MORE RATIONAL USE OF FOOD RESOURCES. DANISH

REP (SVART) ASKED WHETHER SUBJECT WAS NOT BEING DEALT WITH ADEQUATELY IN OTHER FORA. ASYG OZDAS RESPONDED THAT QUESTION OF POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE FORA HAD RECEIVED CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE PROPOSAL HAD BEEN APPROVED BY CCMS; COMMITTEE HAD CONCURRED IN JUDGEMENT OF PILOT COUNTRY CANADA, AS SET FORTH IN PROPOSAL (C-M(75)64), THAT CCMS, WHOSE MEMBERS COMPOSED MAJORITY OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FACING THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM, OFFERED SINGULAR ADVANTAGES AS FORUM FOR FRUITFUL DISCUSSION THIS ISSUE. CANADIAN REP (MENZIES) FURTHER AMPLIFIED CANADA'S REASONING BY OBSERVING THAT LARGE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS WHO AND FAO WERE OBLIGED BY NATURE OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP--MADE UP PREDOMINANTLY OF LDC'S--TO ASSIGN PRIORITY TO PROBLEMS COMMON TO THOSE NATIONS; ACCORDINGLY IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO GIVE MUCH ATTENTION TO SPECIAL PROBLEMS SHARED BY ADVANCED COUNTRIES. MENZIES ALSO MENTIONED CANADA'S PLEASURE AT HEARING OF ENTHUSIASTIC FRONT-PAGE ACCOUNT OF THIS CANADIAN CCMS PROPOSAL IN NORWEGIAN PRESS; HE HOPED NORWAY'S INTEREST MIGHT BE SUFFICIENT FOR HER TO JOIN STUDY AS A CO-PILOT. NORWEGIAN REP (GAARDER) CONFIRMED HIS AUTHORITIES' INTEREST AND SAID HE WOULD RELAY TO THEM MENZIES' COMMENT ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF NORWAY'S BECOMING A CO-PILOT. UK REP (KILICK) EXPRESSED UK AGREEMENT ON SERIOUSNESS OF PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY CANADIAN PROPOSAL AND ON USEFULNESS OF TAKING IT UP IN CCMS. HE EXPRESSED SOME MISGIVING OVER PROPOSAL'S REFERENCE TO MODIFICATION OF "LIFESTYLES" IN NATO COUNTRIES--A CHOICE OF WORDS WHICH COULD BE POPULARLY MISCONSTRUED AND THUS COUNTERPRODUCTIVE; HE ADMITTED THIS WAS MAINLY PRESENTATIONAL PROBLEM BUT SUGGESTED THAT SHARPER DEFINITION IN ESSENTIALLY NUTRITIONAL TERMS WOULD STRENGTHEN PROPOSAL AND AVOID POSSIBLE MISINTERPRETATION.

3. PER REF A, AMBASSADOR BRUCE REITERATED STRONG US INTEREST IN CANADIAN FOOD AND HEALTH PROPOSAL; HE PAID TRIBUTE TO BELGIAN LEADERSHIP OF COASTAL WATER POLLUTION PILOT STUDY AND EXPRESSED US SUPPORT FOR ITS FINAL RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, STRESSING OUR CONTINUED FIRM BACKING FOR GOALS OF 1970 NATO OIL SPILLS RESOLUTION AND OUR INTENTION TO

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SUPPORT FULLY THE FOLLOW-UP WORK TO COME ON OIL SPILLS AND IN FIELD OF COASTAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT; HE CHARACTERIZED CHAIRMAN'S PROGRESS REPORT AS "YET ANOTHER GRATIFYING DEMONSTRATION OF THE CONTINUED CONTRIBUTION THE ALLIANCE THROUGH CCMS IS MAKING IN FOSTERING EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL, ENERGY AND OTHER MAJOR PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR SOCIETIES." HE ALSO EXPRESSED US HOPE (REF A) THAT APPROPRIATE NEW STUDIES, SUCH AS THAT PROPOSED BY FRANCE ON CONTROL OF POLLUTION OF THE SEAS (SEE USNATO 5746), WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR CCMS WORK PROGRAM IN 1976.BRUCE

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